

19/01/2006
VC37**SCHEDULE 1 TO THE VEGETATION PROTECTION OVERLAY**

Shown on the planning scheme map as VPO1.

COASTAL AREAS**1.0**19/01/2006
VC37**Statement of nature and significance of vegetation to be protected**

The vegetation of Bayside's coastal reserves is significant for its diversity and environmental value in providing habitat areas of regional, state, national and worldwide significance.

The land is a continuous coastal strip running from the northern boundary of the municipality to its south eastern boundary along Port Phillip Bay.

The coastal areas include examples of the northernmost communities of tall shrubland and woodland, diverse alliances of low shrubland, and dune complexes characterised by the dominance of Coast Wattle and the absence of other shrubs.

The ability to maintain environmental systems and viable habitat areas depends on retaining existing vegetation and encouraging indigenous revegetation. Small areas of native vegetation contribute to the remaining habitat, providing movement corridors for animals and birds.

The vegetation is a valued attribute of Bayside's coastal landscapes and inland reserves.

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VC37**Vegetation protection objective to be achieved**

To maintain the quality of the remaining fauna habitat in Bayside and to create additional habitat.

3.019/01/2006
VC37**Permit requirement**

A permit is required to remove, destroy or lop native vegetation.

An application must include the following information:

- The extent of native vegetation to be removed, destroyed or lopped.
- Details of the impact of the proposed removal, destruction or lopping on soil stability.
- Details of proposed revegetation, including proposals for ground stabilisation, species to be planted and source of plants.

4.019/01/2006
VC37**Decision guidelines**

Before deciding on an application, the responsible authority must consider:

- The effect of the proposed removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation on the habitat value and long term viability of remnant bushland areas in the vicinity.
- The significance of the native vegetation area.
- The reason for the proposed removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation and the practicality of alternate options which do not require removal, destruction or lopping of native vegetation.

Reference documents:

“The Vegetation in Native Bushland Remnants within the City of Bayside, Victoria”,
Simon Cropper, Botanicus, 1996

“Bayside City Council - Fauna Survey and Management Guidelines”, Chris Pavey, WBM
Oceanics Australia, 1996

Bayside Coastal Strategy, 1997